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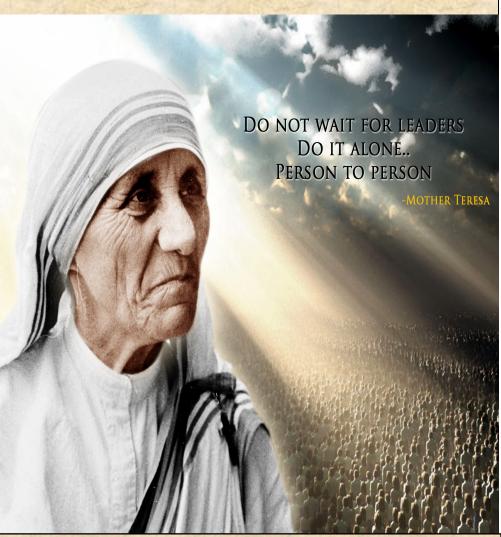
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We are a Catholic community rooted in the Eucharist and committed to the poor.



Sunday Mass Schedule

(Vigil Mass) Saturday -5 PM

Sunday 8:30 and 10:30AM

Confession—Saturday at 4 PM at other times by appointment. **Weekday Mass Schedule**

8:30 AM Monday - Saturday

"It would be easier for the world to survive without the sun than to do so without the Holy Mass."

St. Padre Pio

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

The weekend of August 27th and 28th

 Total amount in envelopes:
 \$ 6,202

 Loose:
 \$ 2,561

 Online Parish Pay:
 \$ 2,815

 Total offered:
 \$ 11,578

Parish Debt Reduction \$2,250

Please remember the needs of the parish when you return from vacation. We depend on your generosity to continue our mission.



Daily Mass Readings Monday

1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday

1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26

Thursday

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Friday

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will resume on the First Friday of October. Parishioners are needed for the following hours: First Friday 10:00am to 11:00am and 9:00pm to 10:00pm; and First Saturday 2:00am to 3:00am.

Please contact Christine Regnault to be placed on the schedule 908-872-4444.

"In the Catholic tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue; participation in the political process is a moral obligation. Every believer is called to faithful citizenship, to become an informed, active, and responsible participant in the political process." (Faithful citizenship)

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY
September 5th
St. Teresa of Calcutta, Religious
Br. Michelangelo Best (Living)

Holy Souls in Purgatory Orlando Cacciato

TUESDAY September 6th

8:30 AM David Bird

Mario J. Lamia Hugh Reid

WEDNESDAY September 7th
8:30 AM Jack Schlegel

Anne "Mickey" Stack Carmela "Millie" Armenti

THURSDAY September 8th

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30 AM John Calabro (Living)

Anthony LaRezza Genevieve Zmuda

FRIDAY September 9th

St. Peter Claver, Priest

8:30 AM Peggyann Tuma
David "Duke" Dorsi
Jose Lopez (Living)

SATURDAY September 10th
8:30 AM Deacon Bill Wagner
Joseph DeVincentis

Victims of the Orlando Shooting

24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM Mary Ferrante

(Saturday) Michael and Rita Pavlo

Beverly Guldner

SUNDAY September 11th

8:30 AM The deceased and victims

of 9/11/2001

10:30 AM The deceased and victims

of 9/11/2001

The 6PM Sunday Mass will resume on September 18th.

"Whatsoever You Do", excerpts from the speech of Mother (Saint) Teresa of Calcutta, National Prayer Breakfast, Washington D.C. February 3, 1994

Jesus gave His life to love us and He tells us that we also have to give whatever it takes to do good to one another. And in the Gospel Jesus says very clearly: "Love as I have loved you." Jesus died on the Cross because that is what it took for Him to do good to us - to save us from our selfishness in sin. He gave up everything to do the Father's will to show us that we too must be willing to give up everything to do God's will - to love one another as He loves each of us. If we are not willing to give whatever it takes to do good to one another, sin is still in us. That is why we too must give to each other until it hurts. It is not enough for us to say: "I love God," but I also have to love my neighbor.

... it is very important for us to realize that love, to be true, has to hurt. I must be willing to give whatever it takes not to harm other people and, in fact, to do good to them. This requires that I be willing to give until it hurts. Otherwise, there is no true love in me and I bring injustice, not peace, to those around me.

It hurt Jesus to love us.

But I feel that the greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion, because it is a war against the child, a direct killing of the innocent child, murder by the mother herself. And if we accept that a mother can kill even her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another? How do we persuade a woman not to have an abortion? As always, we must persuade her with love and we remind ourselves that love means to be willing to give until it hurts.

By abortion, the mother does not learn to love, but kills even her own child to solve her problems. And, by abortion, the father is told that he does not have to take any responsibility at all for the child he has brought into the world. That father is likely to put other women into the same trouble. So abortion just leads to more abortion. Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what they want. This is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion.

Many people are very, very concerned with the children of India, with the children of Africa where quite a few die of hunger, and so on. Many people are also concerned about all the violence in this great country of the United States. These concerns are very good. But often these same people are not concerned with the millions who are being killed by the deliberate decision of their own mothers. And this is what is the greatest destroyer of peace today - abortion which brings people to such blindness.

But what does God say to us? He says: "Even if a mother could forget her child, I will not forget you. I have carved you in the palm of my hand." We are carved in the palm of His hand; that unborn child has been carved in the hand of God from conception and is called by God to love and to be loved, not only now in this life, but forever. God can never forget us. I will tell you something beautiful. We are fighting abortion by adoption - by care of the mother and adoption for her baby. We have saved thousands of lives.

I know that couples have to plan their family and for that there is natural family planning. The way to plan the family is natural family planning, not contraception. In destroying the power of giving life, through contraception, a husband or wife is doing something to self. This turns the attention to self and so it destroys the gift of love in him or her. In loving, the husband and wife must turn the attention to each other as happens in natural family planning, and not to self, as happens in contraception. Once that living love is destroyed by contraception, abortion follows very easily.

The poor are very great people. They can teach us so many beautiful things. There was the man we picked up from the drain, half eaten by worms and, after we had brought him to the home, he only said: "I have lived like an animal in the street, but I am going to die as an angel, loved and cared for." Then, after we had removed the worms from his body, all he said, with a big smile, was: "Sister, I am going home to God" -and he died.

I had the most extraordinary experience of love of neighbor with a Hindu family. A gentleman came to our house and said: "Mother Teresa, there is a family who have not eaten for so long. Do something." So I took some rice and went there immediately. And I saw the children - their eyes shining with hunger. I don't know if you have ever seen hunger. But I have seen it very often. And the mother of the family took the rice I gave her and went out. When she came back, I asked her: "Where did you go? What did you do?" And she gave me a very simple answer: "They are hungry also." What struck me was that she knew - and who are they? A Muslim family - and she knew. I didn't bring any more rice that evening because I wanted them, Hindus and Muslims, to enjoy the joy of sharing.

Because I talk so much of giving with a smile, once a professor from the United States asked me: "Are you married?" And I said: "Yes, and I find it sometimes very difficult to smile at my spouse, Jesus, because He can be very demanding - sometimes."

If you become a burning light of justice and peace in the world, then really you will be true to what the founders of this country stood for. God bless you!

Saint Theresa of Calcutta, pray for us.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who serve in the military:

Sean Milde, Greg Scaduto, Frank Fasano, Marcia Fernandes, Richard Lister, Eric Leverone, Jay Donato, Frank Messina, Eileen Murphy, Peter Giovanni, Brian Reynolds, John E. Siedler IV, and Alex Slevens.

Those who are ill:

George Thoms, Tina Passarelli, Richard Sherer, Anne Moore, Maple Young, Kevin Shea, Helen Murray, Larry Hebert, Larry Oster, Lou Aroneo, Msgr. Patrick Brown, Jack and Maria Bickel, Mary Keller, Dorothy Paul, Givi Trauwaert, Ruth Ann Rahe, Mary Bigelis, George Armenti III, MaryAnn Paster, Anne Galdieri, Terry McCloskey, Patricia Caruso-Minicozzi, Susan Holmes, Pat Moran, and Eric Binner.

Those who have died to this world Joan G. Smith Requiescat in Pace

May all the faithful who have departed this world rest in your eternal peace.

Amen

VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERING

The votive candle before the statue of the Blessed Mother is in memory of

Peter Steger

and the votive candle before the statue of St. Joseph is in memory of **Michael Steger**

MOMS GROUP

There will be no meeting in September. All are welcome to join us for our meeting on Tuesday, October 4 at 7:30pm.

TRAINING FOR NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Parish children in 3rd grade and above who would like to be trained as Altar Servers are invited to participate in a training session on Saturday, September 17th at 9:00am (after 8:30 Mass). If your child intends to participate, please contact the parish office and let Sr. Krystyna know. If your child cannot make the training on September 17th but is interested in training, let Sr. Krystyna know so that other arrangements may be made.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

God became very angry with the Israelites for worshipping a molten calf and making sacrifices to it. The people had so quickly violated his commandments that he planned to destroy them. But Moses pleaded with God for mercy and God relented.

Second Reading: 1Timothy 1:12-17

Paul considered himself a former blasphemer and persecutor, and expressed his gratitude for the mercy Jesus showed him. Paul felt that he was a perfect example of Jesus' patience toward sinners and his desire to reconcile them with God.

Gospel: Luke 15:1-32

The Pharisees grew angry because of Jesus' compassion toward sinners. In response, Jesus tells of a son who squandered his inheritance, then returned to his father and asked to be treated as a hired hand. The father rejoiced, angering his older and more obedient son. The father explained that everything he owned belonged to his older son; but he had to rejoice for the son who was lost and had been found.

LIFE MINISTRIES MEETING

Please help in our efforts to support Life at every stage from conception to natural death.

We will be meeting on Monday, September 12 at 7:30pm in the

church meeting room. New and returning members are welcome.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Save the Date The Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea

conducted by Fr. Alphonse Stephenson will present their third annual **Christmas Concert** on **Saturday**, **December 10**, **2016 at 7:30pm**.

Ticket information will be available soon!

GROCERY GIFT CARDS

Grocery gift cards will continue to be sold as a fundraiser. To purchase cards, please call the parish office at 908-647-0118. You can reserve the amount of Gift Cards and an envelope with your name will be available for you to pick up after Mass on the weekend. Or you can visit the Parish House during the week and purchase them directly. Thank you for your continued support.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CEMETERY

The following are not permitted on cemetery grounds: artificial flowers, plastic or ceramic statues, vigil lights, trees, shrubs, ivy grave coverings and stands, metal legs or hooks for potted plants. Flowerbeds are permitted, running the width of a headstone and extending one foot off the monument base. Modest fencing of flowerbeds is allowed. Masonry or any other fencing around flower beds considered obtrusive or hazardous is not permitted. Maintenance of permitted plantings is the sole responsibility of the family. Any decorations, plantings or borders not permitted may be removed at any time. All rules subject to change upon consideration for the safety of those who visit and for aesthetic or religious reasons.

The rules above are posted in the cemetery and given to those who purchase plots. There are a number of situations in which the rules have been ignored. Trees and shrubs which have been planted will compromise foundations and eventually cause monuments to topple. As stated above, masonry borders and fencing is prohibited. Both these infractions are potential safety hazards. In addition, these violations interfere with the upkeep of the cemetery.

Therefore, beginning **October 1, 2016** we will be removing trees and shrubs from the cemetery and removing any permanent masonry flower bed borders. For those with plots in the cemetery, you have the option of removing or transplanting trees and shrubs yourself prior to **October 1**. You also have the option of removing any permanent borders and replacing them in accordance with the rules stated. Your understanding and cooperation is appreciated as we strive to maintain our parish cemetery.

PARISH FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

The need is continuous and the following items are in short supply:

Canned corn, green beans, mixed vegetables, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, dry milk, tuna, mac n' cheese, chicken noodle soup, vegetable soup, sardines, spaghetti, noodles, honey nut cheerios, raisin bran, corn flakes, small dry red beans, canned pinto beans, navy beans, pink beans, refried beans, tomato sauce and instant potatoes.

Thank you for your continued support.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the donors who contributed to my Eagle Scout Project of building a Legacy Wall in St. Vincent de Paul Cemetery: Joe Fonpfanel Landscaping, Hall's Garden Center, Home Depot, Country Miles Gardens of Morristown, and all of the parishioners who donated or purchased plaques. Please stop by and take a look. Thank you, Sean Theoclitus, Troop 59, Stirling, NJ.

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

For adults who have never been baptized, adults who have been baptized in another Christian tradition and who believe that God is calling them to full membership in the Roman Catholic Church, adults who were baptized Catholic but have had no instruction in the faith or have not received the Sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

Through study, faith formation and discernment adults engage the process which will bring them into fuller sacramental membership within the Church.

Please contact Fr. Richard if you or someone you know would be interested or if would like to have more information. Sessions will begin in October.





Parish Appreciation Night

Saturday, September 24, 2016 6:30 PM -11 PM

Food, fun and fellowship in appreciation of the many who use their gifts and talents in service to this faith community.













To all <u>adults</u> who volunteer in our parish we request the pleasure of your company at an **Appreciation Night** in honor of you.

RSVP (acceptances only) by September 12th, 2016 to Sr. Elsa at srelsa@stvdp.org or call the parish office at 908.647.0118

Those intending to come **must** RSVP



Due to liability issues surrounding the distribution and licensing of alcohol at private events this is a B.Y.O.B. Please consume sensibly and never drive after drinking above the allowances of the law.

"When you give to others, you speak a silent but audible thank you.

Appreciation for others and ourselves is life and spirit for each and every one of us."

-- written by Kara "Cherry" Whitaker, 14 years old, from Ohio.